

--48. The MDI according to claim 31, wherein said coating is applied to said internal surface of a preformed can.--

--49. The MDI according to claim 31, wherein said coating is applied by spray coating said polymer blend.--

--50. The MDI according to claim 31, wherein said coating is applied by spray coating said polymer blend on the internal metallic surface of said can and curing said coating after it is sprayed.--

--51. A metered dose inhaler can, comprising:

a metered dose inhaler can having part or all of its internal surfaces coated with a polymer blend comprising one or more fluorocarbon polymers, in combination with one or more non-fluorocarbon polymers.--

REMARKS

The present application has been filed to claim subject matter disclosed in the parent application but not specifically covered by the allowed claims in the parent application. For example, new claim 22 has does not have the language concerning the "intended use" of the metered dose inhaler (MDI), e.g., "for dispensing . . ."

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Dependent claim 23 and other claims which recite that the MDI further contains a medicament and a propellant, cover this feature.

The above amendments to the specification are the same ones made in the parent application. They have been made in order to correct typographical errors on page 6 of the specification, e.g., "vinylidene" to "vinylidene" and at page 8, line 27. The specification has also been amended to provide definitions for the various abbreviations and to identify the "monomers" and/or "monomeric units" that some of the polymers are made from.

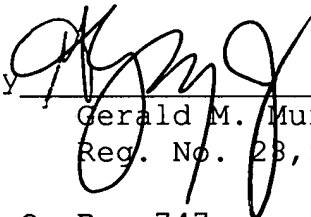
Support for new claim 22 can be found page 6, lines 15-32 and page 7, lines 20-30. Support for new claims 23 and 28 can be found on page 4, lines, 12-33 and page 5, lines 6-14 and page 3, lines 19-24. Support for new claims 37 and 38 can be found on page 6, lines 18-20 and page 6, lines 25-28, respectively. The support for new claims 45-47 can be found on page 7, lines 5-7. The support for new claims 48 and 49 can be found on page 9, lines 7-9. All other new claims are rewritten from the original claims so that dependencies are easier to follow.

If there are any minor matters precluding allowance of the application which may be resolved by a telephone discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark W. Milstead (Reg. No. P-45,825) at (703) 205-8000.


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